

Joe completed his military assignment in Germany, and upon returning to the United States moved to New York City in 1964 to pursue his goal of "acquiring a piece of the American dream." He worked as a recreational leader with the Children's Aid Society, which inspired him to pursue a Master's Degree in Urban Education at Brooklyn College. It was in graduate school that Joseph Sanders developed an interest in the business sector and seized an opportunity to work as an insurance agent for the New York Insurance Company. Mr. Sanders' employment with New York Life Insurance Company heightened his entrepreneurial interests, and in 1972, Mr. Sanders and a partner, Charles Baylor, founded BaySan Holding Corporation.

Mr. Sanders attributes his success and business awareness to his mother, Eliza, and lots of hard work. He credits Mrs. Addie W. Rivers, a high school teacher, Coach Ollie C. Dawson, and the late H.N. Vincent, both of South Carolina State College as professionals and friends who contributed greatly to his social, personal, and educational growth. Sanders stated, "Their interest in my personal growth created a desire within me to help others." His commitment to helping others is evident in the \$100,000 scholarships he established at Allen University, Voorhees College, Claflin College, and South Carolina State, all located in the Sixth Congressional District of South Carolina which I proudly represent in this body. He was also instrumental in the establishment of the "Dean H.N. Vincent Scholarship Fund" to honor and perpetuate the memory of Dean Vincent of South Carolina State College.

Joseph Sanders has been granted innumerable awards and citations highlighting his contributions to and concern for "Excellence in Education" at Historically Black Colleges and Universities. Allen University conferred upon Sanders a Doctorate of Humane Letters at its 116th Commencement ceremony on May 10, 1986. As a Certified Property Manager, President of Vis-Chet Holding Limited of Brooklyn, NY; and avid golfer, Joseph Sanders is presently developing an eighteen-hole golf course on a 227-acre tract of land he owns near Santee, South Carolina.

With knowledge under his belt and a proven track record, Sanders spends a great deal of time traveling and enjoying the fruits of his labor. Sanders is a member of several business organizations and is a life member and Basileus of Iota Xi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. He is a Golden Heritage Life member of the NAACP and a 32nd degree Prince Hall Mason. Sanders resides in Manhattan, New York and has two daughters, Vista and Conchetta, one son, Michael, and five grandchildren. Joe and I met on State's campus where we forged a friendship which we continue to enjoy today. Please join me Mr. Speaker in saluting the humanitarian efforts of Mr. Joseph C. "Joe Cleve" Sanders, and thanking the people of Moncks Corner, South Carolina for declaring the 23rd day of May, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Eight "Joe Sanders Day."

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. CASS BALLENGER**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 30, 1998*

Mr. BALLENGER. Mr. Speaker, on Friday, March 27, I missed rollcall vote 80, final passage of H.R. 2515. Had I been present, I would have voted yea.

## IN HONOR OF ARLENE RYHTER

**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 30, 1998*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Arlene Ryhter for her continued service to her country and her community. Arlene was recently honored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars for her leadership in that organization.

Arlene first joined the Local Ladies Auxiliary to the VFW in 1966. She worked her way up through the ranks serving on various committees and holding several chairmanships to become President of both the Ladies Auxiliary Bedford Post 1082 and the Cuyahoga County Council. She has also served as a flag bearer and color bearer for District Seven.

In addition to her activities at the VFW, Arlene has been active in the Girl Scouts and Brownies and is an honorary Boy Scout Father in the community of Bedford, Ohio. She has also served as President of the Democratic Party in Bedford and continues to work in voting booths. Arlene also volunteers her time at local Senior Citizen Centers and Veterans Hospitals.

My fellow colleagues, please join me in recognizing Arlene Ryhter, a model American of whom her family and her community can be proud.

## SOUTH GLENS FALLS HIGH SCHOOL MARATHON DANCE CELEBRATES 21 YEARS OF VOLUNTEERISM

**HON. GERALD B.H. SOLOMON**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 30, 1998*

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, these days, young people are often discounted as self-absorbed and apathetic about the problems facing others in their community and society at large. The students at South Glens Falls High School in my congressional district in upstate New York prove that this stereotype does not universally apply. Over the past twenty-one years, the remarkable students of South High have raised over \$400,000 for local individuals and projects, dedicating their time and effort to making life easier for their less fortunate neighbors.

On March 6-7, 1998, South Glens Falls High School held its 21st annual Marathon Dance. Under a spinning ball and colored lights, 243 high school students danced for twenty-seven hours, with family and friends looking on in the special t-shirts which they had bought in support of the students' efforts.

When it was over, the jubilant young people celebrated the highest total in two decades of the Marathon, as the announcement came that the dance had raised \$54,000 through direct pledge money and other sources in the community, including a church benefit breakfast. Another year's worth of tremendous effort has resulted in yet another astounding success.

The impressive amount of money raised will reach several charitable destinations. First, a new van will be purchased for a local citizen with multiple sclerosis, which will allow her to travel as needed to attend to her daily activities. The remaining funds will be divided between donations to a medical mission which aids the impoverished in Guatemala, a fund used to help local families at holiday time, and a fund dedicated to supporting a local youngster who is fighting Pompe's Disease. Through their hard work and determination, the students of South High help to ensure that others, both within and far from their community, know that they are not alone in coping with the travails of their daily lives.

Mr. Speaker, the efforts of South High's students stand as an example of how young people can and should give back to their community. These remarkable young people have shown just how vibrant the spirit of volunteerism remains in the small towns and cities of upstate New York, and I am proud to count them among my neighbors. With that in mind, Mr. Speaker, I ask that all members join me in paying tribute to the students of South Glens Falls High School on the occasion of their 21st Annual Dance Marathon. Their success has been truly spectacular, and, considering their dedication to these selfless pursuits, I know will be duplicated or even eclipsed in the years to come.

## TRIBUTE TO ALDO VAGNOZZI

**HON. SANDER M. LEVIN**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 30, 1998*

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join in the celebration of uniquely talented and dedicated citizen of Michigan, Aldo Vagnozzi.

He has had an unusually long and distinguished career in journalism. For about one-half of a century, his beat has been the lives and interest of working families of Michigan. With the AFL-CIO in Michigan, he has dedicated himself to providing hundreds of thousands of Michigan workers with information about key aspects of their labors and the broader issues that affect the well-being of their families. While he served as editor, he was indeed a working journalist reflecting his personal concerns about working families reading his reports and comments. He became a model in Michigan and beyond.

His strong beliefs were combined with modesty, a sense of goodwill and respect for the beliefs of others. They helped propel him into elective office with support from people of a wide array of political ideologies and backgrounds. As the first directly elected Mayor of his home city of suburban Farmington Hills, Michigan, he as helped build and strengthen that fast-growing community.

Also Vagnozzi can leave his position as editor of the Detroit Labor News with a sense of